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1. An all-out attack on Indochina by Chinese Communist troops is now being planned for September 1950. Troops under the command of CH'EN Keng were massed on the Yunnan-Indochina border in late July 1950. An unidentified division of CH'EN's troops has entered Indochina disguised as part of the Viet Minh army.*

2. The training of 10,000 Viet Minh troops in Yunnan by the Chinese Communists is reported near completion.

3. On 25 July 1950, 50 long-range artillery pieces and 50 tanks, of Soviet-made but of undetermined type, arrived in Indochina. The artillery pieces were shipped via the Hankow-Canton railroad.

4. With the alleged approval of the Chinese Communist central and south China military district, 1,000 former Chinese Communist guerrillas have been transferred to the second guerrilla column (sic) of the Viet Minh army in the Lang Son (106-45, 21-51) and Cao Bang districts of north Viet Nam. P'AN Ta-ch'i, a member of the Chinese Communist Party of Hong Kong and a native of Lungchow (106-56, 22-22) is the commander of 750 of these troops. The remainder of the troops is under the command of HUANG Yu-sheng, Communist guerrilla leader of Mingkiang (107-11, 22-09).**

* [REDACTED] Comment. [REDACTED] 22 July 1950, reports that two divisions of CH'EN Keng's Third Field Army were issued Viet Minh uniforms.

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